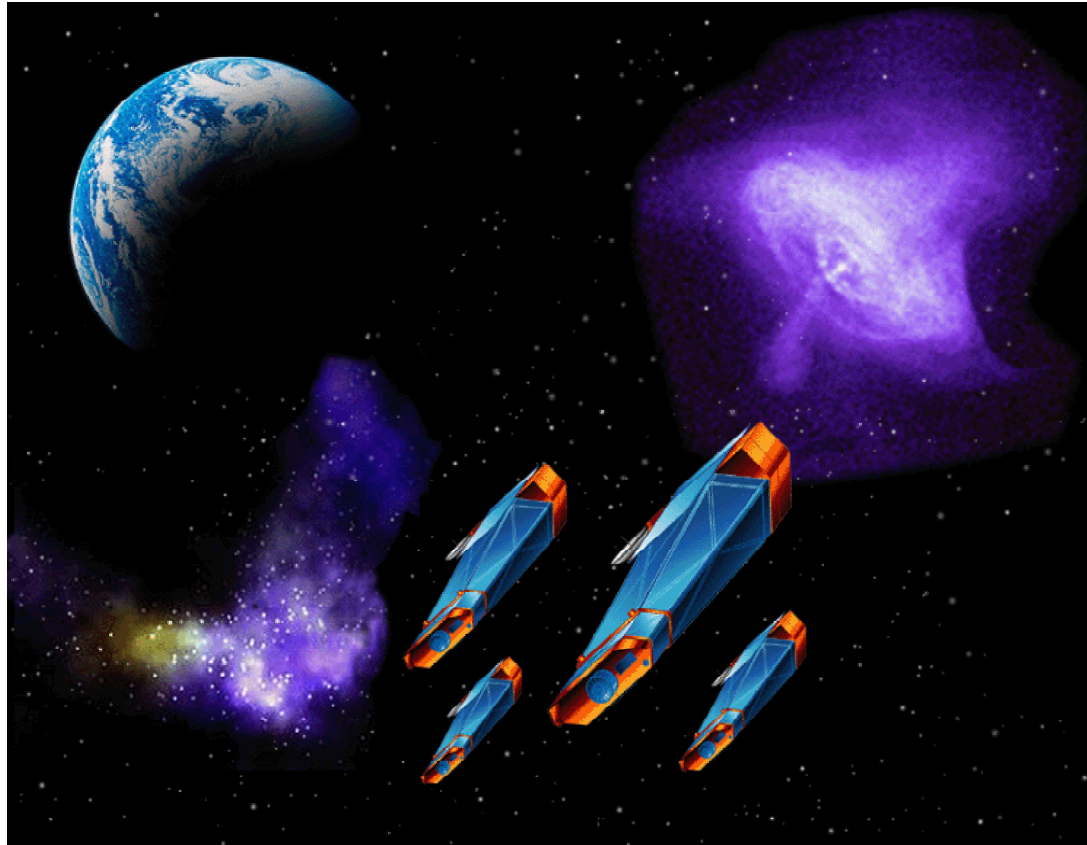


Constellation-X

Technology Development Roadmap and Critical Technology Milestones



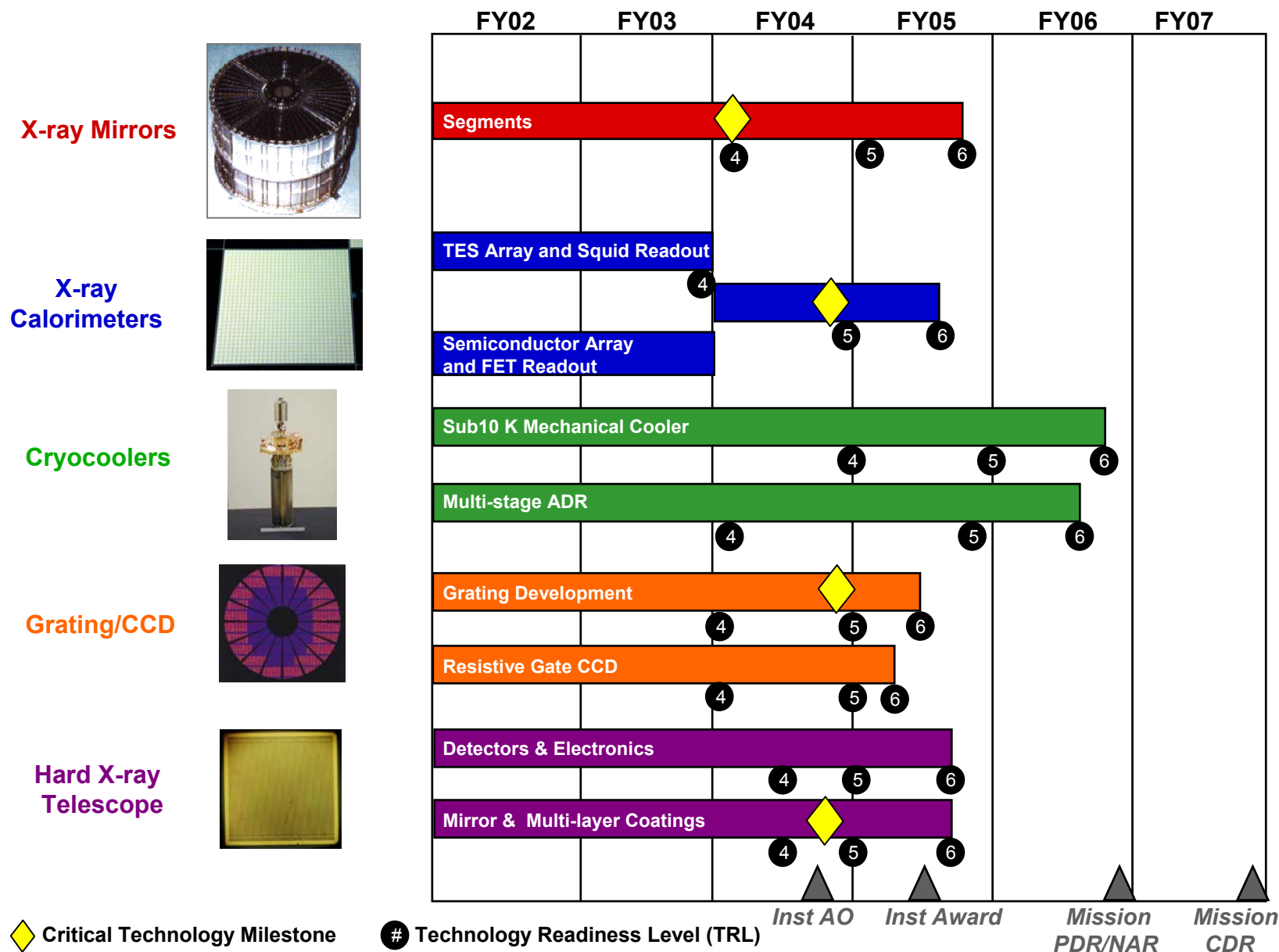
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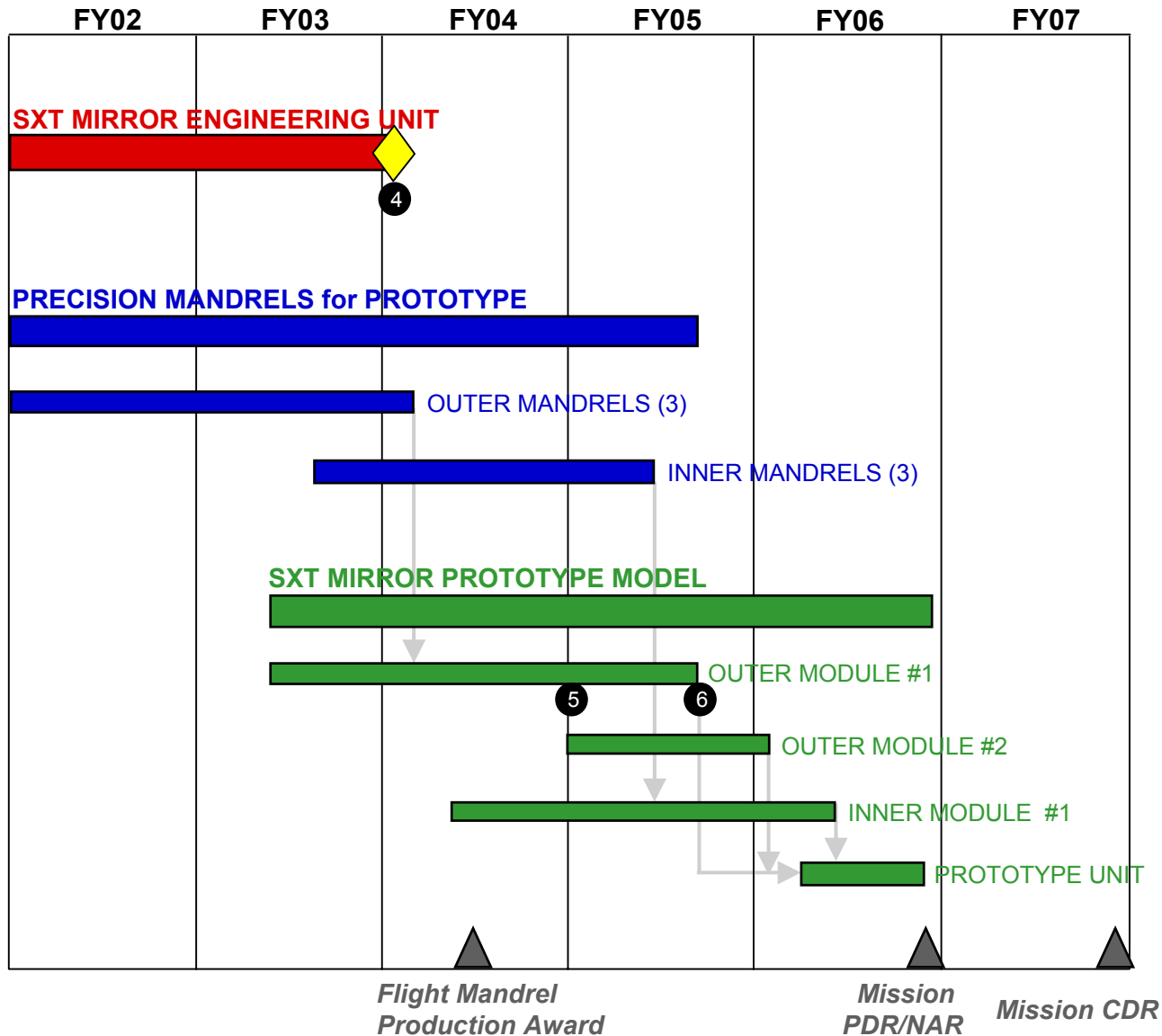
Critical Technology Development Milestones

Milestone

Date

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| ◆ Spectroscopy X-ray Telescope (SXT) Optic Engineering Unit | 1Q FY04 |
| ◆ Small X-ray Calorimeter Array | 3Q FY04 |
| ◆ Flight Representative Lightweight Grating Substrates | 4Q FY04 |
| ◆ Hard X-ray Telescope (HXT) Optics Demonstration Unit | 4Q FY04 |

SXT Optic Technology Roadmap



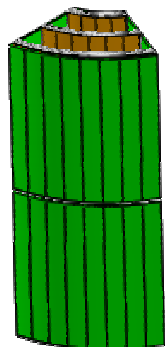
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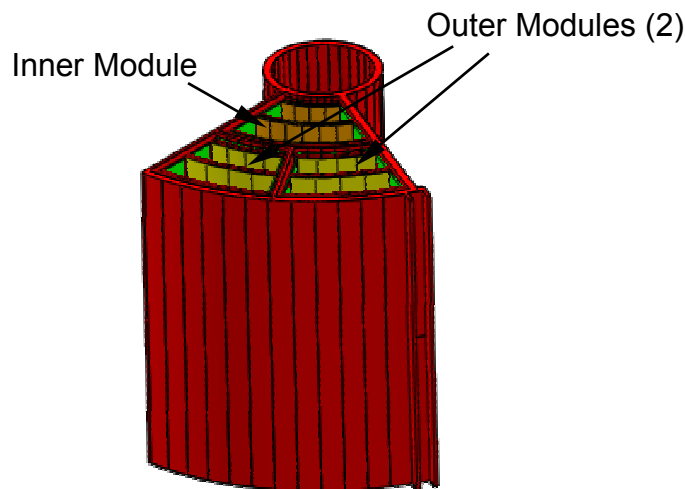
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Engineering Unit



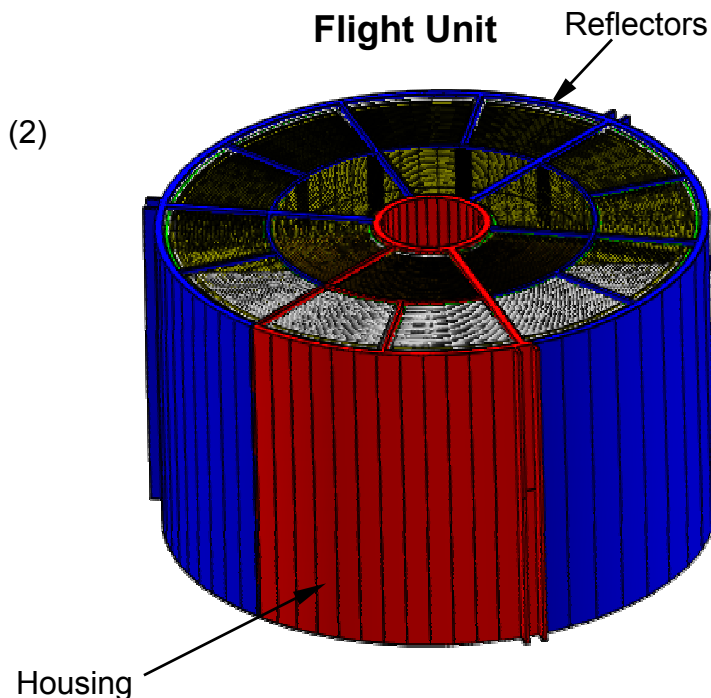
- Single inner module with
- 0.5 m dia. reflector pair (replicated from Zeiss precision mandrel)
 - Parabolic (P) and Hyperbolic (H) submodules
 - First modules to be aligned using etched silicon microcombs

Prototype Unit



- Flight Scale Assembly of
- 3 modules (2 outer and 1 inner)
 - Largest diameter same as for flight - 1.6 m
 - Each module has 3 to 9 reflector pairs
 - Demonstrates module to module alignment

Flight Unit



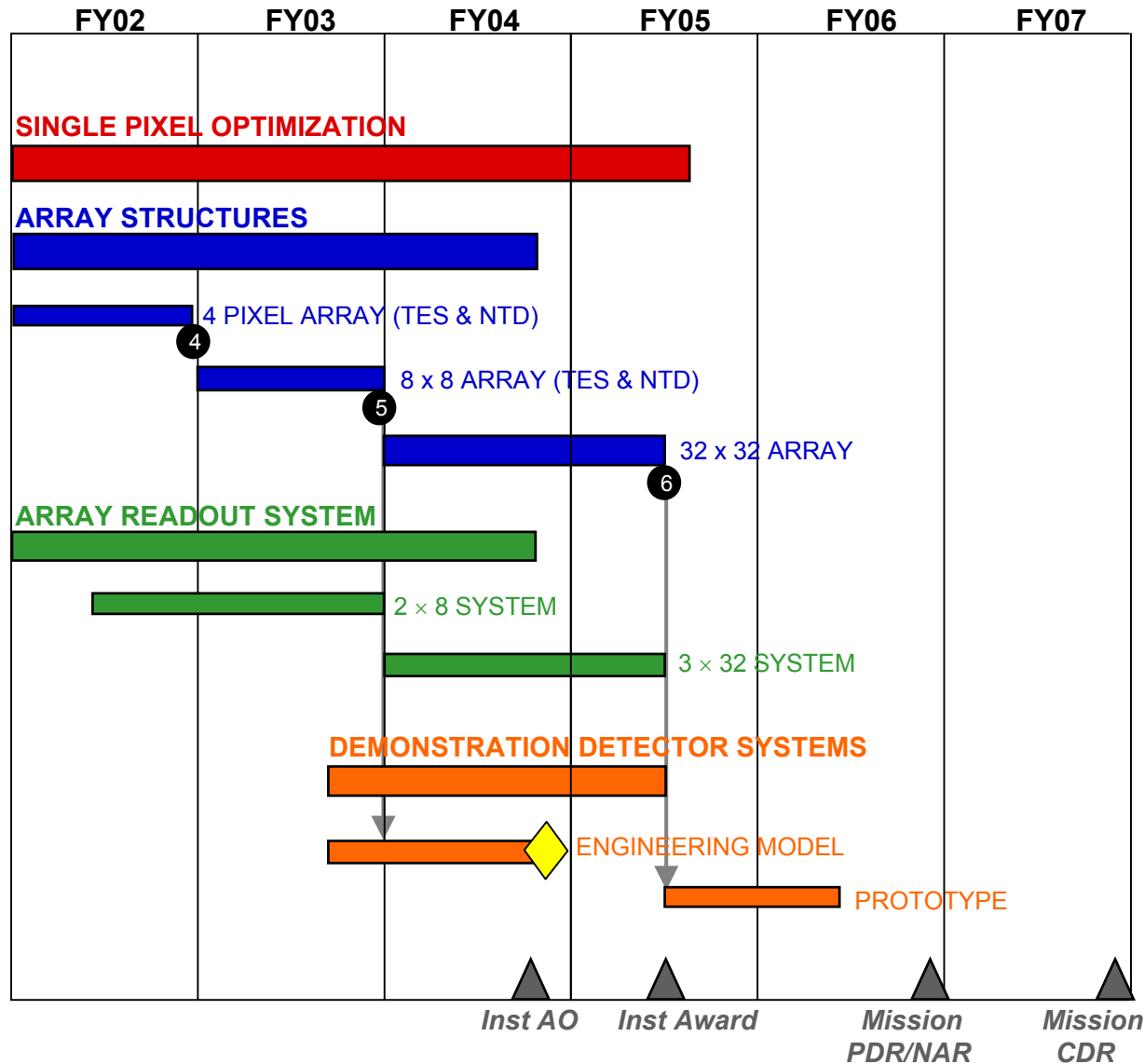
- Full flight Assembly
- 1.6 m outer diameter
 - 18 Small Modules
 - 70 to 170 reflector diameters

SXT Optic Critical Technology Milestone

◆ SXT Optic Engineering Unit Completed and Tested in X-rays

- Alignment comb fabrication process verified.
- Assembly and alignment procedures established.
- Optical performance understood and extendable to 10 arc sec.
- Replication process satisfies requirements and is reproducible.
- Reflector support concept verified.
- Preliminary mechanical testing satisfactorily completed.

X-ray Calorimeter Technology Roadmap



◆ Critical Technology Milestone

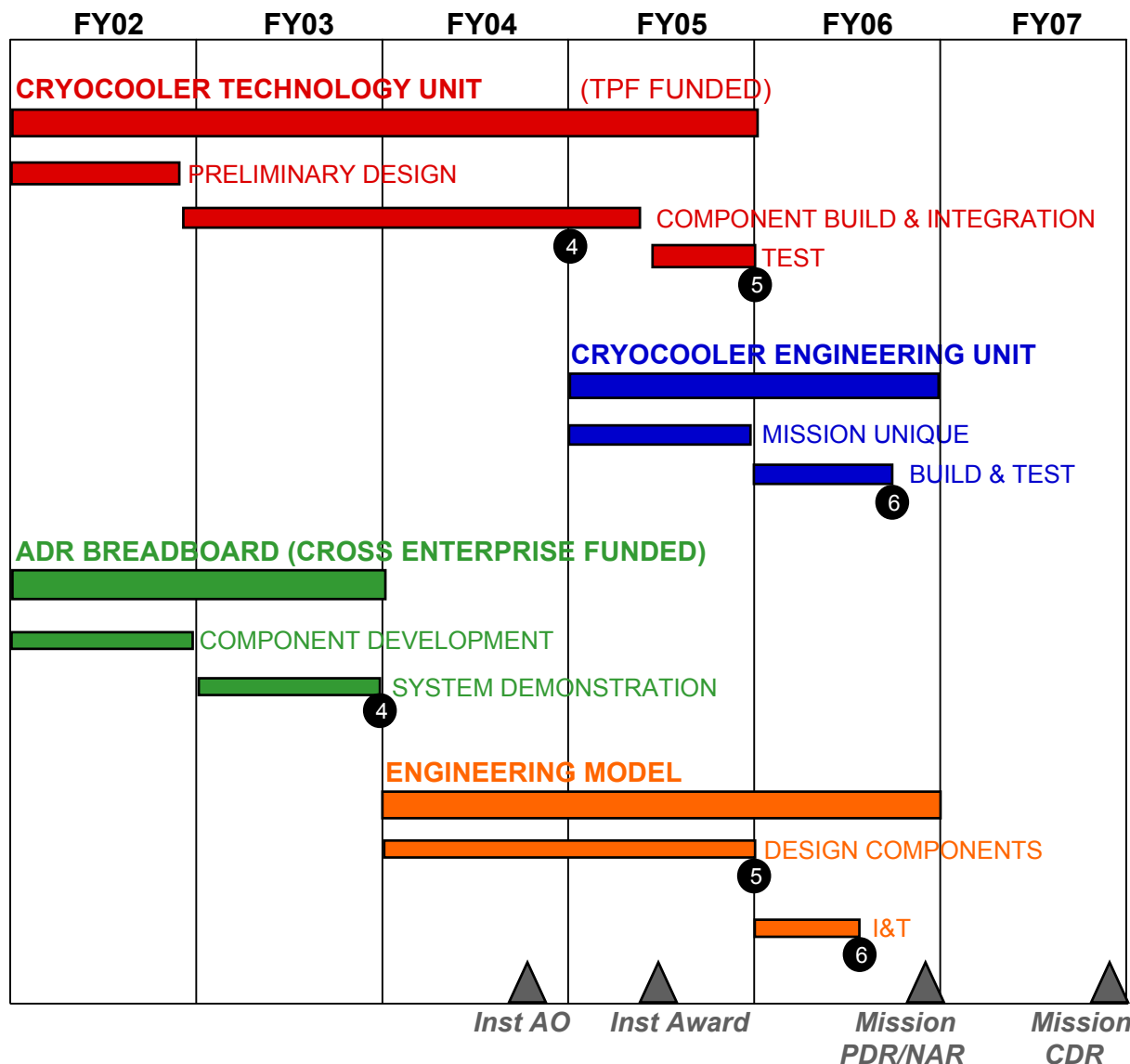
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X-ray Calorimeter Critical Technology Milestone



- **Small X-ray Calorimeter Array Fabricated and Tested**
 - Pixel scale and quantum efficiency appropriate to Constellation-X baseline requirements.
 - Energy resolution of 2 eV at 1.5 keV and 4 eV or better at 6 keV, simultaneously in each pixel.

Cryocooler and ADR Technology Roadmap

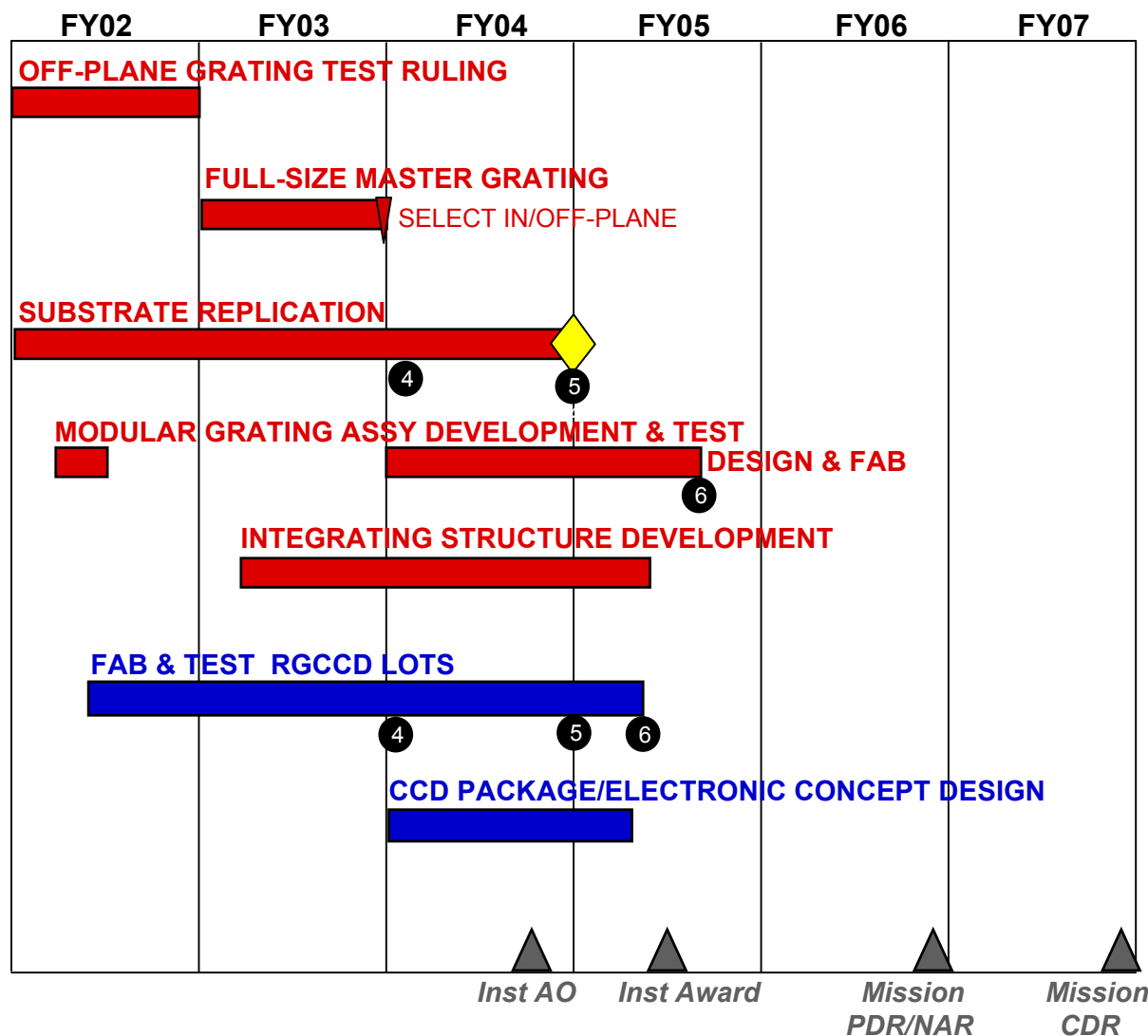


Critical Technology Milestone



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Grating/CCD Technology Roadmap



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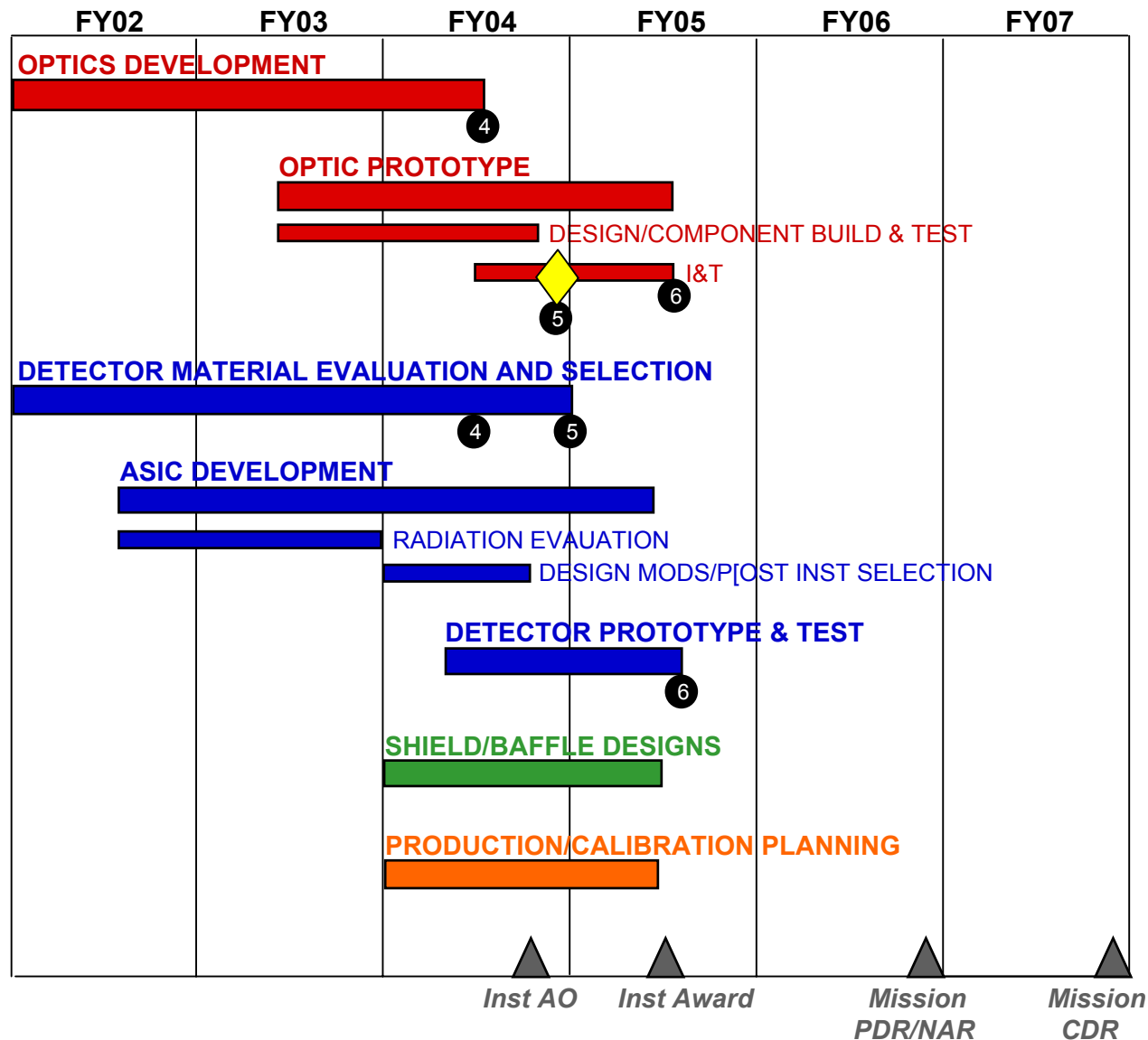


Technology Readiness Level (TRL)

Grating Critical Technology Milestone

- **Assembly of Three Flight Representative Lightweight Grating Substrates**
 - Substrates fabricated use procedures that can be applied to mass production and experience all processing steps that are included in the plan for the final flight gratings.
 - Substrate mass per unit area $\leq 0.2 \text{ gm/cm}^2$.
 - Substrate as-assembled flatness ≤ 2 arc-seconds in the dispersion direction.
 - Substrate mutual alignment ≤ 2 arc-seconds in the dispersion direction.

HXT Technology Roadmap



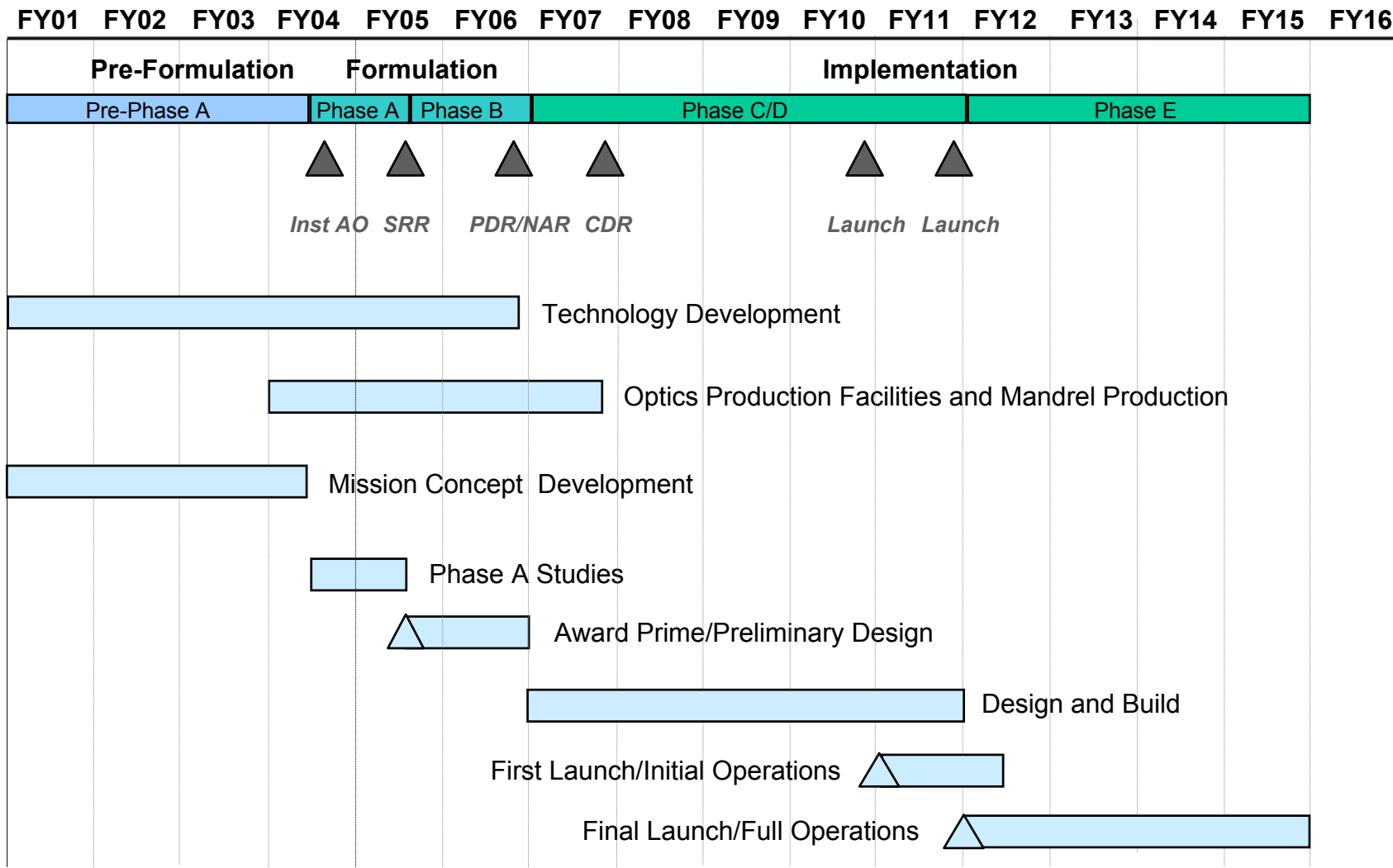
◆ Critical Technology Milestone

● Technology Readiness Level (TRL)

HXT Critical Technology Milestone

- **Hard X-ray Multilayer Mirror Prototype Completed and Tested in X-rays**
 - Angular resolution ≤ 1 arc minute (Half Power) Diameter at 20 keV.
 - Mass and reflectance consistent with the baseline mission requirements.
 - Multilayer mirror fabrication process verified.

Constellation-X Top Level Schedule



Acronym List

ADR	Adiabatic Demagnetization Refrigerator
CCD	Charge-Coupled-Device
HXT	Hard X-ray Telescope
NTD	Neutron-Transmutation-Doped
RGCCD	Registive Gate Charge-Coupled-Device
SXT	Spectroscopy X-ray Telescope
TES	Transition-Edge Sensors
TPF	Terrestrial Planet Finder